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opened from or near a hand-board near Jehu Thomas's lane to Stephen Rigdon's lane, would be, if opened, of public utility; and also a petition counter thereto, and recommending that a road be laid out and opened from near the said hand board to Nathan Pyle's mill, all of which was referred to this general assembly, and there being also other petitions preferred to this general assembly, some praying for one of the said roads, and some for the other; therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That John Moores, Thomas Amos and Thomas Hope, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, and they, or any two of them, are hereby authorised to view the two aforesaid routs, and to lay out a road from or near the hand-board near the lane of Jehn Thomas aforesaid, to the lane of Stephen Rigdon, or to the mill of Nathan Pyle, which ever they in their judgment may conceive most conducive to the interest of the public, and least injurious to private property, and cause the same to be surveyed, and a plot thereof returned to the clerk's office of said county, there to be by him recorded; and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall also assess the damages if they in their judgment shall think any has been sustained by individuals over whose land the said road may be laid, and return thereof make to the levy court of said county, who are hereby authorised and directed to levy a sum of money, such as they in their judgment shall deem sufficient, for opening and clearing the same, and appoint one or more overseers for that purpose.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said levy court shall also levy such sum or sums of money as shall be adjudged by the said commissioners to be due to individuals over whose land the said road may be laid, and cause the same to be collected and paid as other county charges are levied, collected and paid; and the said road, when opened and cleared, shall be for ever hereafter deemed a public highway, and shall be kept in repair as other roads are in said county.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners shall be allowed by the levy court of said county, two dollars per day for each and every day that they shall attend in performing the duties required by this act.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in case the said commissioners shall lay out the road to Nathan Pyle's mill, that then and in that case they shall view the road from the said mill to the Peach Bottom road, and if they should be of opinion that it can be laid out on better ground than where it now runs, they shall make such alterations of the location of the same, as they, or a majority of them, shall conceive necessary, and make return thereof to the clerk of the county with their other proceedings.

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Passed Decem- An ACT to appoint Thomas Woodfield, of Anne-Arundel County, Trustee for the sale of the Real Estate of Joshua Hall, late of said

County, deceased.

WHEREAS Thomas Woodfield, of Anne-Arundel county, by his petition to this general assembly, has set forth, that the said Joshua Hall died some time in the month of March, eighteen hundred and seven, seized of a tract or part of a tract of land called Abington, containing fifty-two acres of land, more or less; that he left five infant children, to wit: Harriot, Thomas, William, Joshua and Henry Hall, all of whom are minors, under the age of twenty-one years; that the annual rent of the said real estate will by no means yield a sum sufficient for the support, education and maintenance, of the said infant children; that it will be more beneficial to the said children to dispose of the aforesaid land, and the money arising therefrom to be laid out in the purchase of public stock, or other permanent funds; has prayed that an act may pass appointing the said Thomas Woodfield trustee, with power to sell the said real estate, as to the chancellor shall appear best calculated to promote the interests of the said heirs; which being thought reasonable, therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Thomas Woodfield, of Anne-Arundel county, be and he hereby is authorised and fully empowered as trustee, to sell and dispose of at public sale, after such notice, and on such terms and conditions, as the chancellor may appoint and direct, all the real estate of which Joshua Hall, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, died seized, or to which he had any right or title either at law or in equity, as to the chancellor shall appear best calculated to promote the interests of the heirs of the said deceased, and the same, when sold, and on the payment of the whole purchase money, and not before, to make over and